

Planning Board and Planning and Zoning Commission

Board Overview

The County Planning Department staff provides support to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the County Planning Board. Aside from transfers to the Planning Department's budget for personnel support, the only direct personnel costs required in these budgets are for the taking of minutes for the Planning Board and Zoning Boards.

County Wide Planning is the fund created to track expenses of the County Planning Board. The Board is an 11-member citizen committee required by state law to make recommendations to the County Commission on the County's Growth Policy, to review compliance with county subdivision regulations and zoning regulations for which it has jurisdiction. The County Commission levies the statutory millage to support the planning function. The Board supports the County Planning Department through a transfer of monies, approximately \$87,000 in FY 07 and \$49,100 for FY 08. For FY 09, the estimated support will be \$119,939. The fund also pays for normal board expenses including postage, copying, and overtime expenses incurred by the Planning Department for board meetings and the preparation of minutes.

Subdivision Regulations are applicable to all unincorporated areas of the county. Staff provides support to the County Planning Board and County Commission on proposed subdivisions to ensure compliance with state laws, local regulations and adopted county plans.

The Planning and Zoning Commission is a seven member Commission consisting of the three County Commissioners, the Clerk and Recorder, the County Treasurer, and two citizen members. This Commission provides regulatory oversight of all "Part I" zoning districts. The Commission is supported by Planning Department staff and is funded through tax assessments from the zoning districts.

Planning Board Goals

- Community planning needs are efficient, effective and response to community's needs.
 - Provide the best advice possible to the County Commission on planning and development related issues.
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Planning Board Recent Accomplishments

- Creation of committees to handle long-range planning work.
- Ongoing comprehensive evaluation of water and wastewater management in Gallatin County.
- Ongoing effort to be involved in parks and trails planning.
- Updated the by-laws for more effective public meetings.
- Welcomed several new members.
- Reduced staff and customer frustration levels through use of standardized reports, processes and information sharing.
- Adjusted fee schedule to be commensurate with work required on applications and tasks.
- Utilization of customer feedback process.
- Increased outreach events throughout county, including ongoing work on long-range planning efforts: South Cottonwood Zoning District, Reese Creek Zoning District, Bozeman Pass Zoning District, Four Corners Neighborhood Plan, and updating the regulation, plan and map of the Gallatin County/Bozeman Area Zoning District.
- Update the Gallatin County Subdivision Regulations.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2007	Final FY 2008	Actual FY 2008	Request FY 2009	Preliminary FY 2009	Final FY 2009
Personnel	\$ 3,263	\$ 4,750	\$ 4,275	\$ 4,700	\$ 2,200	\$ 4,700
Operations	199,049	201,855	101,855	79,958	68,800	107,160
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	12,000	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	218,294	46,700	46,700	110,000	110,000	160,462
Total	\$ 432,606	\$ 253,305	\$ 152,830	\$ 194,658	\$ 181,000	\$ 272,322

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds	432,606	253,305	152,830	194,658	181,000	272,322
Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 432,606	\$ 253,305	\$ 152,830	\$ 194,658	\$ 181,000	\$ 272,322

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 360,205	\$ 211,398	\$ 209,284	\$ 211,398	\$ 120,745	\$ 187,111
Non-Tax Revenues	8,082	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400
Cash Reappropriated	64,319	35,507	(62,854)	(23,140)	53,855	78,811
Total	\$ 432,606	\$ 253,305	\$ 152,830	\$ 194,658	\$ 181,000	\$ 272,322

Department Personnel

Personnel Summary

No	FT/PT	Title	FTE
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Employees are not funded in this activity.

Total Program FTE 0.00